

Hildale City Council Meeting

320 East Newel Avenue, Hildale, Utah 84784

Thursday, December 10, 2020, 6:30 pm

Present:

Mayor: Donia Jessop

Council Members: Lawrence Barlow, JVar Dutson, Jared Nicol, Maha Layton, (Stacy Seay Excused)

City Recorder: Athena Cawley

City Manager: Eric Duthie

Staff: Christian Kesselring, Harrison Johnson, Officer Gower (this list may be incomplete)

Court Monitor: Roger Carter

Public: Ray Chatwin, Jessica Chatwin, Kyle Layton, Charles Hammon (this list may be incomplete)

#1. Welcome, Introduction and Preliminary Matters

Meeting called to order at 6:32 pm. Roll was taken, quorum present.

#2. Pledge of Allegiance

Councilmember Nicol led the crowd in the Pledge of Allegiance.

#3. Conflict of Interest Disclosures

No new disclosure forms received this month. No conflicts of interests.

#4. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meetings

The council looked over the meeting minutes ready for approval. Councilmember Nicol requested a change be made for the October 28th meeting minutes. He teleconferenced into the meeting briefly and did not lead the crowd in the pledge.

Maha Layton moved to approve the minutes provided in the packet to include the minutes for the meetings held September 2nd, September 16th, October 28th, and November 4th with noted change on October 28th.

Lawrence Barlow seconded.

Motion carried by consensus.

#5. Public Comment

Jessica Chatwin read several statements from citizens that are requesting to not allow wineries, breweries, open bars, or any alcohol sales in residential areas.

Ray Chatwin lives next to Zion's Cliff Lodge, which is zoned as commercial within residential zones. He stated that he would like to see a law or something legal put in place that does not allow sales of alcohol in commercial zones that are in residential areas.

#6. Council Comments

Councilmember Dutson expressed the beauty of driving through Cedar City and seeing their holiday lights on main street. He suggested starting something similar for the holiday spirit in Hildale. Councilmember Layton thanked the public for their comments. In addition, she asked if this concern be brought up on future agendas for the Council. Mayor Jessop introduced Eric Duthie as the new City Manager and requested Ray Chatwin reach out to him next week for a discussion.

#7. Oversight Items:

A. Financial and Check Registry Review and Approval

Harrison presented the check register and reviewed it with the council. Councilmember Dutson asked if we are at 50% mark in the budget. City Manager, Eric Duthie, answered stating that the City is at 12% at the end of November for revenues.

Jvar Dutson moved to pay the bills as they become due and the funds become available.

Maha Layton seconded. Roll call vote:

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Lawrence Barlow	X		
JVar Dutson	X		
Maha Layton	X		
Jared Nicol	X		

Motion carried.

Lawrence Barlow moved to approve the Check Registry.

Maha Layton seconded.

Motion carried by consensus.

B. City Manager's Report

Christian presented. The transition period with Eric Duthie as City Manager started Monday. Eric has been going through the process of meeting all employees, department heads and Councilmembers. There are no operational updates to give the Council this month. Councilmember Dutson asked where the City is with the Cares Act Funding. Harrison reported on the CARES Act funding. Renovation will happen at the end of the of the month for new broadcasting equipment in the council chamber. The fire department has acquired defibrillators and special equipment for COVID. Fiber connections are estimated to be at 45 customers and still offering to many more. Councilmember Nicol brought up adding "Rules and Orders of Procedure" to a future agenda.

#8. Public Hearing:

A. Compensation of Elected and Statutory Officers of Hildale City

Mayor opened the public hearing with no objections from the Council.

Christian presented the proposal to increase the City Manager salary in the Ordinance for the compensation of elected and statutory officers to \$75,000 and remove the active military duty section. Councilmember Nicol expressed that the hiring committee put great work into the decision of the compensation amount.

There was no public comment.

Jvar Dutson motioned to close the public hearing.

Jared Nicol seconded.

Motion carried by consensus.

#9. Unfinished Council Business

None

#10. New Council Business

A. Consideration of Building Permit Consent for Cliff View Cottages

Christian gave explanation of the reason for the consent for building a model home in Cliff View Cottages subdivision that has not yet had the plat recorded or issued the notice to proceed. If this is approved, then it gives the developer the right to get building permit to begin building a single model home. The home would not be occupied until the improvements of the subdivision are completed. Councilmember Layton questioned about the plat that is not recorded yet and if it follows best practices to approve. Christian explained that we have received preliminary plat approval site plan. The suggested recommendation to the Council was to give permission to the developer to obtain a building permit application for a model home to be issued after the issuance of notice to proceed.

Public Comment:

Charles Hammon gave explanation of the project and timeframe of 4 months he plans to do these improvements. His goal is to have the roads paved and completed at the same time to present the model homes at a grand opening. He explained how notice to proceed and final plat is the very end process. The construction should be ready at the same time.

Lawrence Barlow moved to grant permission for the developer of Cliff View Cottages to obtain a building permit application for a model home to be issued after the issuance of notice to proceed.

JVar Dutson seconded.

Motion carried by consensus.

B. Consideration and Adoption of Ordinance 2020-015: An Ordinance Providing for the Compensation of Elected and Statutory Officers of Hildale City

Councilmember Nicol asked about the updates on coverage of the salary change. Christian stated that there is \$20,000 of unused funds in the building department that would allow to cover this change. Councilmember Barlow suggested some changes to clean up the ordinance with b, c, and d. Christian explained that the provisions have already been carried out and those subsections could be removed. Just changes the ordinance. Budgeted amount 20000 unused allocated funds in the building department that would allow to cover. Barlow cleanup the statute.

Maha Layton moved to adopt Ordinance 2020-015, Providing for the Compensation of Elected and Statutory Officers.

Jvar Dutson seconded.

No roll call and motion amended.

Maha Layton amended previous motion and moved to adopt Ordinance 2020-015, Providing for the Compensation of Elected and Statutory Officers and eliminating sections b, c, and d.

Jvar Dutson seconded. Roll call vote:

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Lawrence Barlow	X		
JVar Dutson	X		
Maha Layton	X		
Jared Nicol	X		

Motion carried.

C. Consideration of Adopting of Ordinance 2020-016 Changing Day of Regular Council Meeting

Mayor Jessop proposed changing the Council meeting day to Tuesday or Thursday of the first week of the month for regular Council meetings. The reasoning is due to COVID and her schedule change. There was discussion between the Council and majority agreed to move forward with the change of the first Thursday of each month.

Jvar Dutson moved to adopt Ordinance 2020-016, changing the Day of Regular Council Meetings to the first Thursday of every month.

Jared Nicol seconded. Roll call vote:

	YES	NO	ABSTAIN
Lawrence Barlow	X		
JVar Dutson	X		
Maha Layton	X		
Jared Nicol	X		

Motion carried.

#11. Executive Session: (As Needed)

Mayor Jessop recommended to go into an executive session for the purpose of discussing pending or reasonably imminent litigation.

Jared Nicol moved to go into a closed executive session for the purpose of discussing pending or reasonably imminent litigation.

Jvar Dutson seconded.

Motion carried by consensus.

Council went into executive session from 8:08 p.m. to 9:43 p.m.

Lawrence Barlow moved to go back into a regular meeting.

Jared Nicol seconded.

Motion carried by consensus.

#12. Calendar of Upcoming Events

None

#13. Scheduling

Mayor Jessop talked about scheduling a retreat in February.

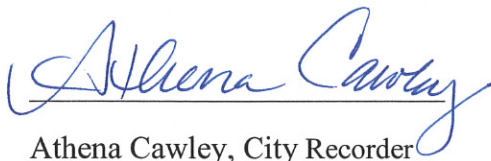
The next regular council meeting will be January 7th, at 6:30 p.m.

#14. Adjournment

With no other business, meeting adjourned at 9:50 pm.

I verify that a copy of the notice and agenda was delivered to the Mayor and City Council members and posted at the City Hall, 320 E. Newel Avenue, Hildale, Utah and sent to the Utah State Public Meeting Notice coordinator.

Minutes were approved at the City Council Meeting on March 3rd, 2021.



Athena Cawley, City Recorder

